

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-53 (Canceled).

54. (Currently Amended) A cellulosic, fibrous material comprising:

a plurality of substantially individualized, non-crosslinked, dried fibers, the fibers having an average water retention value between 0.8 and 1.5 grams water/gram dry fiber, an average dry fiber twist count of at least about 2.0 twist nodes per millimeter, an average wet fiber twist count of at least 1.5 twist nodes per millimeter, and the fibers maintain at least 70% of the dry fiber twist count after rewetting the dry fiber.

55. (Original) The cellulosic, fibrous material of Claim 54, wherein the fibers have an average water retention value of at least 1.0 gram water/gram dry fiber.

56. (Original) The cellulosic, fibrous material of Claim 54, wherein the fibers have an average dry fiber twist count of at least about 2.5 twist nodes per millimeter.

57. (Original) The cellulosic, fibrous material of Claim 54, wherein the fibers have an average wet fiber twist count of at least about 2.0 twist nodes per millimeter.

58. (Previously Presented) The cellulosic, fibrous material of Claim 54, wherein the fibers have an average water retention value of at least 1.1 gram water/gram dry fiber.

59. (Previously Presented) The cellulosic, fibrous material of Claim 54, wherein at least 80% of the fibers include fiber twists.

60. (Previously Presented) The cellulosic, fibrous material of Claim 54, wherein at least 85% of the fibers include fiber twists.

61. (Previously Presented) The cellulosic, fibrous material of Claim 54, wherein at least 90% of the fibers include fiber twists.

62. (Previously Presented) The cellulosic, fibrous material of Claim 54, wherein the fibers comprise wood pulp fibers.

63. (Previously Presented) The cellulosic, fibrous material of Claim 54, wherein the fibers comprise microcrystalline cellulose.

64. (Previously Presented) The cellulosic, fibrous material of Claim 54, wherein the fibers comprise microfibrillated cellulose.

65. (Previously Presented) The cellulosic, fibrous material of Claim 54, wherein the material further comprises superabsorbent material.

66. (Previously Presented) The cellulosic, fibrous material of Claim 54, wherein the fibers are treated with a drying aid.

67. (Previously Presented) The cellulosic, fibrous material of Claim 66, wherein the drying aid comprises a surfactant.

68. (Previously Presented) The cellulosic, fibrous material of Claim 67, wherein the surfactant is selected from the group consisting of an anionic surfactant, a cationic surfactant, and a combination of an anionic surfactant, a cationic surfactant, and a non-ionic surfactant.

69. (Previously Presented) Paper comprising the cellulosic, fibrous material of Claim 54.

70. (Previously Presented) Tissue comprising the cellulosic, fibrous material of Claim 54.

71. (Previously Presented) A towel comprising the cellulosic, fibrous material of Claim 54.

72. (Previously Presented) An absorbent article comprising the cellulosic, fibrous material of Claim 54.

73. (Previously Presented) The absorbent article of Claim 72, wherein the absorbent article is selected from the group consisting of diapers, training pants, swim wear, feminine hygiene products, incontinence products, medical garments, and other personal care and health care garments.